Troopers Arrest Three Juveniles in Shoplifting Turned Robbery — Wilmington

Wilmington — The Delaware State Police have arrested a 15-year-old female juvenile of Wilmington, and two 13-year-old female juveniles of Wilmington, in connection with a shoplifting turned robbery that took place at Boscov's on Wednesday evening.

The incident occurred at approximately 7:36 p.m., January 6, 2021, at Boscov's located at 4737 Concord Pike, Wilmington, when troopers responded to a shoplifting turned robbery. Investigation determined the three juvenile suspects concealed merchandise into bags and exited the store without paying. The loss prevention employee confronted the juveniles as they were exiting and attempted to recover the stolen merchandise. One of the suspects began physically assaulting the employee and threatened bodily harm to her. All three suspects then fled the area on foot.

Upon troopers arrival, they canvassed the area and located all three suspects in the parking lot of the Concord Mall. The 15-year-old suspect was located carrying the bag of stolen merchandise. Upon contact the 15-year-old resisted arrest, but ultimately was taken into cusody without further incident. The two 13-year-old suspects ran on foot, but were apprehended by troopers a short time later.

All three juvenile suspects were then transported to Troop 1 where they were charged with the following:

15-year-old

Robbery 1st Degree (Felony)

- Conspiracy 2nd Degree (Felony)
- Terroristic Threatening
- Assault 3rd Degree
- Resisting Arrest

The 15-year-old was arraigned in Justice of the Peace Court #11 and committed to the New Castle County Detention Center on \$63,500.00 secured bail.

13-year-olds

- Robbery 1st Degree (Felony)
- Conspiracy 2nd Degree (Felony)
- Terroristic Threatening
- Assault 3rd Degree
- Resisting Arrest

Both 13-year-olds were arraigned in Justice of the Peace Court #11 and released on \$63,500 unsecured bail.

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and are in need of assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll free hotline 1800 VICTIM-1. (1800 842-8461). You may also email the unit Director at debra.reed@state.de.us.

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